PROCEEDINGS OF THE BROWN COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE – LEPC

Pursuant to Section 19.84, Wis, Stats. A meeting of the **Brown County Local Emergency Planning Committee** was held on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 @ 13:30 at Brown County EOC.

PRESENT: Melissa Spielman, Justin Steinbrinck, Adam Butry, Michael Moore, Emery

Coonen, Justin Hewitt, Bill Marotz, David Catalano, MSG John Craemer,

Mike Schoen, Steve Johnson. Special guests: Ed Olsen

• CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by at 13:31,

• APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A MOTION WAS MADE TO MOVE "RECOGNITION OF ED OLSEN" UP TO #4, AND THEN TO APPROVE THE AGENDA. Vote taken, <u>MOTION</u> CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES. Vote taken, MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

• RECOGNITION OF ED OLSEN

 A plaque was presented to Ed Olsen by Melissa Spielman on behalf of the Brown County LEPC.

LEPC ROUND TABLE:

- Mike Schoen reported than Omnova had shut down operations in Calhoun, GA... only distribution will remain there. Operations will now be done in Green Bay. It does not change the chemical components for the Green Bay facility.
- Michael Moore reported that Georgia Pacific has completed a multi-million dollar project to install two new clarifiers to replace the aging ones.
- Emery Coonen reported that Bay Industries has acquired a location in Canada... as expansion continues to take place.
- Justin Hewitt of Green Bay Water utility spoke about WisWarn—and mutual aid agreement that they are attempting to implement.
- Bill Marotz of Schneider, Inc. spoke of MOUs being updated with Ashwaubenon, the re-acquisition of a former building in Ashwaubenon that is expected to go into use in July. Marotz also gave an update on the news story involving the deceased body found in one of their trucks. The body is not that of the owner or driver of the rig.
- MSG John Craemer of the 432nd CAB spoke about their desire to hear more about the LEPC and how the 432nd can be involved.
- Adam Butry of HSHS-EWD spoke about their continuous search for opportunities to participate in table-top exercises or drills. They

- are currently working with Sheboygan County at St. Nicholas for an active shooter exercise.
- Mike Schoen inquired about cyano kits being used in hospitals. Butry responded that he would need to look in to it, in order to answer. Spielman mentioned that EMS does include cyano kits for use on the scene. Schoen mentioned that the B-12 component will be more effective and less dangerous than previous options.
- Steve Johnson of the Health Department reported on the Ebola
 Exercise that involved numerous counties, including Brown. It was
 put on through NEW HERC, and was a useful all-hazards approach.
 Ebola, and other highly-infectious diseases could be used for this
 type of exercise. Takeaways included that the region is well prepared, but an area of improvement would be practicing and
 proper preparation regarding PPE.
- Bill Marotz asked about Zika Virus preparedness. Johnson responded that educational awareness is the current course of action. Some public community displays and electronic monitors have been used to education and disseminate information. It is still unclear whether this virus will be a threat this far north.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

• Spielman requested Vice Chair nominations. None were made, and the request was tabled until the next meeting.

B. PUBLIC INFORMATION AND EDUCATION (PIE) COMMITTEE

• Severe Weather Awareness Week, and outdoor warning siren education was a top priority during the month of April. Siren education is important, and could be used in cases beyond severe weather, that could involve LEPC interests.

C. PLANNING COMMITTEE

• A video was shown from the U.S. Chemical Safety Board regarding the fertilizer plant explosion in West, TX. Afterward, the discussion was about local zoning laws and public awareness. Johnson remarked on Public Health receiving complaints regarding foul odor from Sanimax in areas that were not residential when the facility was first put in place. Schoen remarked about fire and explosions risks be the more common risk, locally... beyond the toxicity risk. Omnova has received pressure to sell some of their land, but has refused. Spielman expressed concern about some businesses taking over vacant locations, and transporting in dangerous chemicals to an area that was previously not used as such.

• OTHER REPORTS:

A. ARES/RACES UPDATE

- David Catalano reported out on an upcoming meeting next week to demonstrate the digital performance of sending out messages. Coming up on third Wednesday in May at 6:30pm, however, schedule is still a bit up in the air.
- They also participated in Severe Weather Awareness Week,

with the afternoon drill prompting a roll call. They are used to send reports to the National Weather Service during events, and prompt both Brown County EM and Oneida Tribal EM. 21 HAM operators responded for the 1:45PM drill during the awareness week.

- Catalano also explained how they are used to check sirens for audio and rotation, to assist the county.
- They have school talks, and event inclusion (Cellcom Marathon, Tall Ships, other charity runs). A recent training opportunity brought in 13 new HAM operators... and they are at the highest participation levels ever.

B. RECENT SPILLS

• May 10, Schneider National, Diesel Fuel, 20 gallons

C. PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP

- Marotz reported that he did not get to attend the Governor's Conference, but remains actively involved with Schneider and the state of Wisconsin with cyber security.
- Spielman brought up the opportunity for PPP workshops, that is state-funded, to bring in folks to learn. This year's funding deadline has passed, but it is expected to return again next year.

D. EM REPORT

- Spielman opened an invitation to observe the upcoming EOC table-top exercise, taking place tomorrow May 11th, and being run by WEM. Players include county department heads, MABAS, HAZMAT, County Executive, so all can understand what one's job may be. Scenario will include a chemical release, simultaneous to a large-scale event already occurring.
- Spielman also mentioned that she is resigning effective May 27th.
 Justin Steinbrinck will take over as interim-director at that time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- No public comment.
- SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW
 None
- ADJOURN

A MOTION WAS MADE TO ADJOURN AT 14:46. Vote taken, <u>MOTION</u> CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

Justin Steinbrinck EM Coordinator